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We have, for many years read much about deception in the field of UFOlogy and its affiliated subjects. We know the media generally fills its pages with a lot of garbage, especially at certain times such as election periods, so what is there to prevent them from adding more fiction to any other subject that they can, with little effort, send up and widely influence and confuse the public.

I would imagine that world-wide, people who believe in the existence of UFO's - in all its aspects - would be very few in relation to those who lay claim to follow some religious belief. In times of strife, people are usually looking for alternatives, which are not always to their benefit.

It stands to reason, and there is nothing to prevent it, that if the world media under instructions from some world organisation, either from this planet or somewhere "off this planet", endeavoured to create a "great deception" to control the masses, it would probably receive the blessings and assistance of the "New World Order".

We have the Roswell 'films', with some people - generally not the long-time researchers - claiming they are for real. We know the incident occurred and also that some high ranking officials, both Military and Political were present, but the contradictions purported to be the true record of the landing leave much to be desired regarding the truth.

In the June '95 issue of our Bulletin, 'On The Trail' made mention of the ET Law which was adopted in the USA on July 16, 1969 before the Apollo moon shots. In October 5th 1982, Dr Brian T. Clifford of the Pentagon announced at a press conference (The Star, NY. Oct. 1982) that contact between US citizens and extra-

terrestrials or their vehicles is strictly illegal.

Anyone guilty of such contact automatically becomes a wanted criminal to be jailed for one year and fined \$5,000. The NASA administration is empowered to determine with or without a hearing that a person has been "extraterrestrially exposed" and impose an indeterminate quarantine under armed guard, which could not be broken even by court order.

There is no limit placed on the number of individuals who could thus be arbitrarily quarantined.

Thus from one day to the next we learn that, without having informed the public, in its infinite wisdom, the government of the United States has created a whole new criminal class: UFO CONTACTEES!

It certainly is not a coincidence that Dr. Clifford held his press conference during the period when the popularity of the film "ET" was at its peak. As "ET" portrayed a type of extraterrestrial that was benevolent and loveable, the inference is that the press conference was intended to discourage attempts to communicate or fraternise with UFO occupants. However, instead of having the intended effect, it back-fired, causing public furore.

There may be some relationship between this fiasco and the next semi-officially endorsed attempt to deal with the subject of extra-terrestrials, the TV film "V", which was featured with repeat performances and maximum publicity by major networks world-wide. The aliens portrayed in "V" are the most horrifying and repulsive nightmares imaginable, who are defeated thanks largely to a CIA hit man specialising in covert operations, the tough guy with the heart of gold

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who with the aid of the handsome hero saves the human race. This is obvious and transparent propaganda, designed to do what the government's widespread use of disinformation and Dr. Clifford's press conference about the absurd lemon of a law already on the books failed to do: squelch attempts to communicate or fraternise with UFO occupants.

One way to avoid widespread panic at the announcement of the news that we are under surveillance by nonhuman intelligent beings with a technology far more sophisticated than our own is to point out that this situation is nothing new, but has literally been going on for millennia.

If the "flying dragons" mentioned in the I Ching intended to attack and destroy us, they could easily have carried out this objective long ago. Along with this article, the text of the ET Law will be presented. However, there are several points I wish to make:

1211.101 APPLICABILITY. The provisions of this part apply to all NASA manned and unmanned space missions...

I could dismiss this whole controversy as a tempest in a teacup if the above passage contained the word "only", so as to read: "The provisions of this part apply only to all NASA manned and unmanned space missions..." However, it does not contain that one little word which would have made such a big difference. If the government was suddenly faced with the accomplished fact of an undeniable overt ET visitation, this regulation could therefore, be construed as being applicable to all space missions, NASA or non NASA, whether of terrestrial or extra-terrestrial origin. As it stands, this law is applicable to UFO

contact. This meaning would have to be stretched, but the built-in loophole does exist.

1211.102 DEFINITIONS. (B) (2): Touched directly or been in close proximity to (or been exposed indirectly to)... Even without being involved in a UFO encounter would become eligible for indefinite quarantine under armed guard according to the above. By including indirect exposure, the NASA administrator is empowered to make the definition mean just about anything he wants it to. An example of indirect exposure is given, but an example is not a definition. Unless indirect exposure is defined precisely, it can mean almost anything. The possibility is not specifically ruled out that other types of indirect exposure than the example given might be considered valid grounds to "quarantine" a citizen or group of citizens.

In my opinion, it is vital that we challenge the validity of this law, for if it is allowed to stand unchallenged, UFO contactees and researchers may all meet behind barbed wire and armed guards somewhere in Alaska. I strongly urge everyone who reads the ET Law, Title 14, Section 1211 of the Code of Federal Regulations (at the end of this article), to clip it out, and send it on to your congressman, with a demand pencilled in, to repeal this absurd and potentially lethal law. We must use reason and transcend fear in order to make this planet a place where all may live in peace and harmony, as One."

The above does not at this stage and to our knowledge, apply to this country. It is entered for your edification, with the recommendation for our members in the US, who may not be aware of its existence.

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ON THE UFO TRAIL

Paul Norman ©

The two most difficult aspects of UFOlogy continue to be the most publicised and discussed, and remain at the forefront of attention world-wide. They are the abduction phenomenon and UFO retrieval reports.

Currently an abduction researcher is working on a case where, not only a father claims three recently reported experiences, but tells that these experiences commenced back in his childhood. Not only his experiences, but other members of his family are involved as well.

This edition includes an interesting period of activity investigated by Cynthia Hind in Zimbabwe, where school children have reported sightings of entities associated with craft-like objects.

In 1984, during a lecture tour in that country with Cynthia, I learned that natives in Africa, though not in communication with Aborigines in Australia, also refer to UFO's as spirit lights. Theories of Australian indigenous people came to my attention while investigating with a colleague in the Northern Territory. (See article by Hannah Wolfe entitled 'Trip to the Northern Territory', December 1992 Edition.)

Controversy over the (Roswell) Autopsy is still raging in America and the UK, where a large percentage of the general public accepts the explanation, but nearly all UFO researchers reject it or at least, are not convinced. About 90 people who have been associated in some way with the Roswell incident have been interviewed a number of times and the autopsy does not blend in with information gleaned from the interviews.

Leonard Stringfield who has written about crash retrievals for many years, has received many anonymous phone calls from people who volunteered information; not necessarily related to the Roswell incident as well as being given different descriptions of supposedly ET bodies. When I visited Leonard at his home in Cincinnati, Ohio, a few years ago, I recall that he mentioned at least one case wherein it was stated the bodies had no digestive organs. This led to speculation that they were robots and certainly not like the ones shown in the 'autopsy'.

It was sad to learn of the death of Mr. Stringfield who passed away December 18, 1994. This long time researcher was outstanding in his work on crash retrieval cases. He served as Public Relations adviser to NICAP (National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena), and published his own newsletter ORBIT until 1957. In his later years he was an investigator for the Centre for UFO Studies, and from 1971 he was a member of MUFON.

Many reports of lights in the sky continue to be recorded, unfortunately most are not UFO's but primarily atmospheric balloons or in many cases man-made objects.

In a recent article in Double Helix magazine they published directions on how to make a balloon kite for 'scientific interest'. Unfortunately some of these balloons have been mistakenly reported as UFO's. Common garbage bags have also been improvised into 'hot air' balloons and have caused many false reports, they have also created other problems, such as a house fire in Darwin, a grass fire in Queensland, a blackout in

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a northern suburb of Melbourne and no doubt numerous other dangers.

On September 29, John Smyth observed strange lights for 10 minutes - 10.30 to 10.40 pm - but could not distinguish any structures. The lights sped north to south and when directly overhead, travelled in swirls for a few seconds before turning abruptly and speeding away towards the west.

On August 13 at 6.45 pm, Mark Hillard was driving along Palmers Road, Laverton, when he encountered an object which at first appeared as a bright light flying from the north east. He stopped his car and to his amazement the object hovered within a few metres of him and he could see the outlines of the object, about the size of a standard sedan. It was near enough for him to hear a low humming sound, like a transformer, this sound is most frequently reported when observers are near a UFO. (See article from Werribee Banner, this edition.)

As during most periods of UFO activity, when a major incident occurs, more people watch the sky and numerous reports are received which are not UFO's. (See report from VUFORS member Tania Smith, this edition.)

On July 15, 1994 at 11.12 pm, a similar-shaped object over Wodonga, Northern Victoria, to that of a CE3 case, which occurred on August 24, 1967, has been reported by a witness who desires to remain anonymous.

The observer was at his home in Wodonga and viewed the object from his garden. The bright yellow/orange light varying in intensity sped to the north west. After ejecting a smaller light which dropped towards the ground, while the object was still overhead. No sound was heard, but at 12.10 approximately, he heard a humming/jarring sound he had never heard before. Then

about 3 am a power blackout occurred. The SEC (was State Electricity Commission) did not know what caused the blackout. The observer 'phoned an astronomer who could not identify the description of the object.

Excerpt from earlier report:

About 5 pm on August 24, 1967, Mr Hydes was riding his motor cycle at 70 mph on the highway about 10 miles south of Wodonga. The sun was low on the horizon, the sky above him was clear, with some cloud in the distance. Suddenly he was engulfed in a bluish-white light, so brilliant that it almost blinded him and he was forced to stop. The source of the light was directly above him and it was so bright that he was unable to see the countryside around him.

"I took my sunglasses off," he said, "and wiped my eyes. When I opened them there was a disc-shaped object about 100 feet away to my left off the road. The object was silver on top, quite a high polished silver and either a very dark grey or black underneath - it was just like two inverted saucers."

Although at first he thought the UFO was resting on the ground, he perceived when his eyes cleared a little more that it was actually hovering about three or four feet above the ground. He decided to go over and examine the object but his attention was diverted by a passing car and when he looked back he saw there were two figures on his side of the object. They were about 5 feet tall and dressed in a metallic sort of overall which appeared to be the same aluminium type sheet as the craft itself had. They wore helmets "just like a fish bowl popped on somebody's head".

"At this stage, starting to get a little frightened, I took a step forward to see what would happen and they did the same. Then one of the figures,

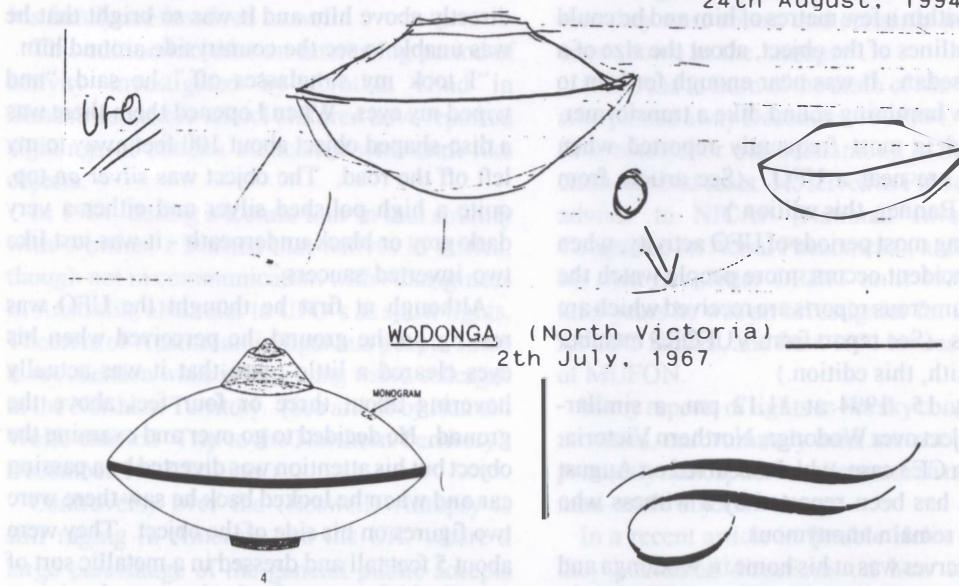
the one on the left, took another couple of steps forward and lifted his hand up and beckoned me over. I then panicked, and just dived on the bike whose motor was still running, and took off down the road intending to put as much distance between myself and the object as possible. Suddenly, however, I heard a humming noise and straight away knew what it was. Looking up, I saw the UFO following me at about 100 feet altitude and about 150 feet away. I then tried to flag down a couple of cars and point the object

out to them, but none responded."

By this time the UFO had overtaken Hydes and had actually over-passed him, apparently to cut him off. He then cut back his speed until he was travelling at no more than 3 to 4 miles per hour and watched the UFO expectantly, awaiting its next move.

To Hydes' relief, the UFO suddenly tilted its base towards him and shot up in the air at about a 45 degree angle, disappearing from sight in a matter of a few seconds.

WODONGA (North Victoria)
24th August, 1994.



ARE YOU ABOUT TO CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS?

PLEASE NOTIFY US OF YOUR CHANGE OF ADDRESS AS IT IS NOT ECONOMICAL TO SEND BULLETINS AND RENEWALS OUT A SECOND TIME, AFTER THEIR RETURN TO US!

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How far is....

Far Out?

By Ted Skewes.

Belief should be tempered with scepticism, scepticism with knowledge and knowledge with humility. Far too often we humans tout our knowledge with undeserved arrogance and explain away phenomena which challenges our conceptions. This attitude is not only foolish but insidious, stifling the very curiosity which is the basis of science and philosophy. This column could be aptly sub-titled "What do we *really* know?!", because the data that comes from UFO related investigation and the response it receives, highlights the deficiencies in our science and indeed our scientists.

The basis of our science is theory. Regardless of what is accepted as current scientific "fact", when you delve deeper and deeper into cause and effect you will reach a point that can only be explained in terms of theory. Of course there are laws, Newton's Law of Gravitation the Laws of Thermodynamics etc. etc. but these are *models*.

Theory and experimentation are used to build a model, a set of rules and equations that describe something to a level of detail that can be used practically. For instance there are two main models for gravity, Newton's and Einstein's. Newtonian theory can be effectively used to calculate the orbits of bodies in space and the motion of bodies near the surface of the planets but Einstein's Relativity model must be used where space-time is curved in the vicinity of some massive body like the sun. A model is a tool and the old saying applies, "the right tool for the right job".

Scientists are also human. They suffer the same peer, political and economic pressures as any vacuum cleaner sales-person. The scientific process has been described as "illusion, delusion and collusion" where the theory of one becomes accepted by a few and then is deemed to be "officially accepted" by politics. A good example of this is Quantum theory and the Standard Model for nuclear physics. These models can be used to make nuclear bombs and the micro-electronic devices for computers etc. They provide the maths (the mathematics) to create the designs but no-one understands *why* they work and

the predominant interpretation of Quantum Mechanics held sway for 50 years because of the power and influence of Niels Bohr. In the 1980's Paul Davies was co-author of a book "The Ghost In The Atom" in which eight of the top quantum physicists described their interpretations of Quantum Theory, *all different*, many mutually exclusive.

One of the principal unresolved issues in Quantum physics is **non-locality**, what Einstein described as "spooky action at a distance", and yes, there are many theories that explain it, like String Theory and theories describing waves moving backwards in time. The only trouble is that non-locality is probably the key to understanding all the forces in the universe, not the least gravity, and faster than light space-travel. (Non-locality is the phenomenon where two or more particles seem to have an *instantaneous* interaction through space, which is independent of distance and the speed of light. It is almost as if two related particles are aware of the others existence and state, as well as the observer and the nature of the experiment!)

Our science has given us some wonderful things and the history of science is full of brilliant and talented people. Just as there was a 19th century science there will be a 21st and 22nd century science where humans will discover wonders beyond our comprehension. They will look back on us with amusement at our achievements just as we look back on the invention of the steam engine or the telephone, but how do we regard the folly of those who loudly and publicly stated that the first x-ray photographs were a hoax or that if you exceeded the speed of sound your aeroplane would disintegrate?

All I mean by "humility", is being able to say "We don't know", clearly "impossible" is a word in only a fool's dictionary.

Comments are welcome, write to VUFORS or send email to vufors@ozemail.com.au

Further reading:

Shroedinger's Kittens, by John Gribbin
Was Einstein Right?, by Clifford M. Will

CASE BRIEFS: EXPLORATIONS & REVIEW

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

My thanks to many of you who have called to express your comments and suggestions for *Case Briefs*. The past year has been interesting and full of challenges, and this issue marks the beginning of our second year of publication. We hope to continue to bring you valuable information, articles and commentary in the foreseeable future. As *Case Briefs* is still a volunteer effort - we appreciate your patience and understanding as we endeavor to bring this newsletter to you on a fairly regular basis. Our goal has been to produce six issues a year, however we will occasionally be skipping, or rather combining several months into one issue (as in this one) when material or time is short. Additionally, issues will vary in length depending upon material available, though we hope to usually produce issues with 12-14 pages.

U.S. Subscriptions to *Case Briefs* are available: \$16 for six issues. We have been surprised and thrilled to find requests for *Case Briefs* coming from abroad, thus we are offering international subscriptions for \$21 for six issues. Please send comments, articles or subscription information to *Case Briefs* Editor c/o Virgil Staff, P.O. Box 7668, Landscape Station, Berkeley, California 94707-0668. (My direct P.O. Box in San Francisco is no longer in use.)

As always, we appreciate your comments. Please feel free to write to Virgil Staff, Kathi Hennesey or myself at the above address. Thank you for your interest and support.

Laura Steiger, *Case Briefs* Editor

professor: He wrote book about kidnappings, sexual acts with extraterrestrials."

In this article, it is reported that Dr. John Mack has been forgiven for his abduction research and that Harvard University will not take any action against him for activities that originally caused them to threaten his tenure. The decision was released on August 3, 1995, and the dean of the Harvard Medical School "reaffirmed Dr. Mack's academic freedom to study what he wishes and to state his opinions without impediment..."

One can presume that the various members of the department have not changed their original views, and there is some reason to believe that significant pressure was placed on the university to bring this conclusion to fulfillment. Certainly Harvard is not famous for its broad and open approach to reality, and it is considered as one of the most establishment-oriented institutions in this country.

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### HARVARD WITHDRAWS LEGAL ACTION AGAINST DR. JOHN MACK ☺

by Virgil Staff, State Director

On August 4, 1995, the *San Francisco Examiner*, with its usual penchant for emotionally charged catchy phrases, penned the following lines: "Harvard won't censure 'space alien'

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August 14, 1995

Dear Virgil,

This letter is to let you know of some trying developments in my life and work. One week ago I was informed by the Board of Psychology that they were taking back my license. This action was their response to my high-profile work of interviewing and counseling persons who report extra-terrestrial encounters, and my public statements and writings. The circumstances surrounding this action are revealing as to who is behind this action and their motives.

Some time ago a former Air Force Major, now a malpractice lawyer, assembled three former clients, and filed claims for malpractice insurance payoff. To increase pressure for paying his claims, he advised his clients to file complaints against me with the Board of Psychology.

Former Air Force Colonel Bruce Ebert, a longtime buddy of Major George, and president of the Board of Psychology, pursued these complaints, even though in the meantime the ex-clients had abandoned their complaints, and had written letters to the Board of Psychology stating that they had no further interest in pursuing their complaints. After an "investigation", in which the Board of Psychology never talked to me once, and after a one-and-one-half-year dragged-out agency hearing, during which my constitutional rights and due process were ignored, despite my attorney's repeated objections, the Board took back my license August 7.

Although the original complaints were for alleged negligent practice and alleged sexual misconduct, even the Board's own Hearing Officer had to admit that "the evidence did not establish sexual misconduct". Despite this, the Board's executive officer put out a press release and gave press interviews with innuendoes of sexual misconduct. As for the allegations of therapeutic negligence, I am dismayed that the Hearing Officer chose to believe the false statements of three people who had been suing for money, rather than a psychologist with a quarter-century unblemished record of treating thousands of patients, none of whom has ever had a complaint.

This deliberate smear, libel, and defamation campaign will fail. And astute students of the UFO cover-up will recognize what is going on. The engineers of the cover-up have not been able to refute the facts I have exposed about UFO reality, American UFO manufacturing, the actual object of the Star Wars program, the extraterrestrial presence, and the forces behind the Cover-Up. Therefore, they have selected their chief alternative strategy: to smear and discredit this researcher, in the hope that no one will listen to me any longer.

In so doing, they have inflicted injury upon my professional reputation, destroyed my private practice, ended a lifelong counseling career, and caused great emotional suffering to my wife, children, extended family, and of course, myself. At this time, justice has not been served.

But the truth about UFO/ET reality will continue to come out. And the meanness and injustice of the Board decision will become apparent. And, rest assured, I will not be silenced. Nor will I rest until justice has been achieved.

Sincerely,

*Richard Boylan*  
Richard J. Boylan, Ph.D.

## Theorists grapple with high-flying sprites

Physicists are struggling to explain recently discovered forms of atmospheric fireworks so colorful and bizarre that regular lightning looks drab in comparison.

Pilots and other observers have long reported seeing fleeting flashes above thunderclouds, but scientists did not succeed in measuring such apparitions until this summer. From two airplanes, Davis D. Sentman and colleagues at the University of Alaska at Fairbanks pinpointed where and when the bursts appear (SN: 8/6/94, p.87). At a meeting of the American Geophysical Union in San Francisco last week, researchers unveiled theories to explain the phenomena, dubbed red sprites and blue jets.

Sprites are brief, blood-colored blobs that flash in the mesosphere at altitudes of 50 to 90 kilometers. The much rarer blue jets last longer, shooting up from the tops of thunderclouds in a narrow column that fans out at the top like the waterspout of a whale. The blue beams occur in the stratosphere, spanning a range of altitudes from 20 to 50 km. Ordinary lightning is restricted to the troposphere, at altitudes of less than 20 km.

Because measurements from the aircraft detected sprites and jets above thunderstorms, most theories link the upper-atmosphere flashes to changes caused by lightning.

Earle R. Williams of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology notes that sprites typically occur after the strongest kind of cloud-to-ground lightning, which transports positive charge downward in currents that can exceed 100,000 amperes. According to calculations by Williams, positive lightning temporarily strengthens the electric field above clouds to the extent of causing "dielectric breakdown," or a giant spark in the mesosphere. He used a simple laboratory experiment to simulate upward discharges.

In a similar model, Umran S. Inan of Stanford University suggests that the enhanced electric field resulting from lightning can cause sprites without dielectric breakdown. The large ephemeris field should energize electrons in the mesosphere, causing them to crash into nitrogen, which then emits red light, he says.

Yuri Taranenko and Robert Roussel-Dupré of Los Alamos (N.M.) National Laboratory focus on energetic electrons stripped from air molecules by cosmic rays. In their model, the electric field above clouds accelerates such electrons upward, causing them to rip even more electrons free. The cascade of electrons bombards nitrogen molecules, which emit blue light in the stratosphere and red light in the mesosphere, they suggest.

"We think we have a very believable

explanation for the upward discharges," says Taranenko. In defense of the theory, he notes that fast-moving electrons can produce gamma rays, which satellites have recently observed coming from Earth's atmosphere.

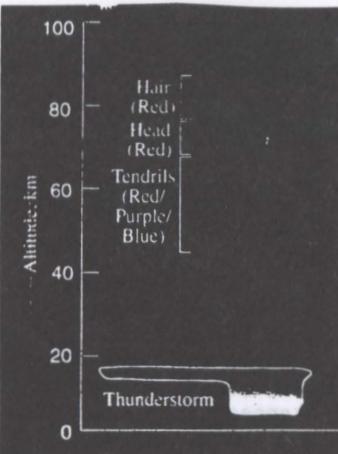
Other scientists have suggested that electromagnetic pulses from lightning could travel up into the mesosphere and cause discharges at high altitudes.

According to Sentman, the quest to explain sprites and jets is just beginning: "There are still problems with all of these explanations."

Inan and others note that they require more measurements, especially of the light frequencies emitted by sprites and jets. Sentman and his colleagues tried to collect such information last summer, but they attached a critical piece of equipment upside down. The team plans to search for above-cloud flashes in February, during flights over the Andes.

Sprites and jets are not as noticeable as ordinary lightning, because they emit weaker light and are hidden above clouds.

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Anatomy of a sprite.

Researchers do not know whether sprites and jets play an important role in the atmosphere, but they speculate that such phenomena could harm high-altitude planes.

—R. Monastersky

Herald Sun, Wednesday, September 6, 1995

## World

# EU committee's proposal is out of this world

By JASPER GERARD  
In London

Hill-Norton said at the weekend: "There is no doubt that something happened. The Belgian Ministry of Defence is on to this. The object was tracked by radar. It is a very convincing story."

On March 31, 1990, military personnel apparently saw a mysterious object flying over Belgium at more than 1600kmh. Two F-16 fighters were scram-

Admiral of the Fleet Lord

committee, is considering contributing a foreword.

The book will contain quotes from a recording of the conversation between the two pilots, and supportive interviews from NATO experts.

The European Parliament's draft report has been prepared by a Spanish official, Mr Gabriel Sanchez.

"People are keen that this should be studied scientifically," he said.

News of the European Parlia-

ment's preoccupation with the subject has been greeted with incredulity.

Sir Teddy Taylor, British MP and a veteran Euro-basher, said France just wanted another EU-funded body within its borders.

"If by any chance there was a proven need to search for flying saucers," he said, "the European Parliament would be the worst outfit to find them. We would probably be left with a UFO mountain."

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bled to intercept the target but it was too fast for its pursuers and was lost 8km from Dover.

The committee will discuss a British historian's petition calling for an inquiry.

Next year, a London publisher will publish *A Deadly Concealment* by Derek Sheffield, in which he says Britain's Ministry of Defence has held back intelligence information on the sightings.

Lord Hill-Norton, a former chairman of NATO's military

## UFO NEWSCLIPPING SERVICE

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By Kerry Fehr-Snyder  
THE PHOENIX GAZETTE

GAZETTE, Phoenix, AZ  
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Maybe it's the hit film "Species," or the sneaking suspicion that Newt Gingrich isn't human, but people seem to be talking about aliens again.

Several supposed alien autopsy photos from an alleged 1947 UFO crash in Roswell, N.M., are circulating on the Internet's World Wide Web. More pictures can be downloaded from Usenet newsgroups dedicated to the subject. Even America Online has an area (keyword: sightings) designated to UFOs and the creatures who fly them.

To see for yourself, make contact with your computer modem and try <http://www.interaccess.com/users/newman/> The site has a link to the autopsy photos at <http://www.primenet.com/keithr/artbell.html>

## UFOs, aliens hot subjects on Internet

Each week, we travel the globe via the Internet and the commercial online services to scout cyberspace. Here's a travelogue from our most recent trip.

If your Internet access is limited to newsgroups, find *alt.ufo.reports* and *alt.alien.visitors*. In addition to autopsy pictures that can be downloaded to your computer, you can experience close encounters with other UFO believers.

Either way, the areas will give you something other than weird happenings on Capitol Hill to talk about.

NEWS FROM AFRICA**ARIEL SCHOOL REPORT (CONT.)** Case N° 96  
(UFO AFRINEWS N° 11)

The Ariel School case developed much further when an interview with the children was made by Dr John Mack. He spent two days speaking to them and was able to elicit a great deal more information. I am sure he will report this himself at a later date.

I have also found out that some of the children actually saw a 'cigar-like' object on the Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1994, the day before the general sighting. One young boy said that as he was driving from school with his mother - in broad daylight - on the 15<sup>th</sup> September, they saw an object ahead of them.

This sighting was verified by three little girls who were sitting in the playground on the Thursday and observed the mysterious object, 'like a cigarette in the sky' very briefly, when it then disappeared. Had it been after the Friday event, I would have been wary of the report, as they could easily have been influenced by the big event. This report is being investigated and will be reported on in a later issue.

Fiona, aged 9, said that on the Friday she could see this strange object, very bright, over in the bush and something dark on the object. But she could not identify it as a 'little man'; she says: 'It could have been a branch or something like that.'

I was impressed by the honesty of the children. When they weren't sure, they were hesitant; when they were sure, they spoke out quickly and confidently.

It was a cross-section of Zimbabweans: black African children from several tribes, coloured children (a cross-breeding of black and white), Asian children (with parents born in Zimbabwe but whose grandparents had come from India) and white children, mostly Zimbabwean-born, but whose parents were either from South Africa or Britain.

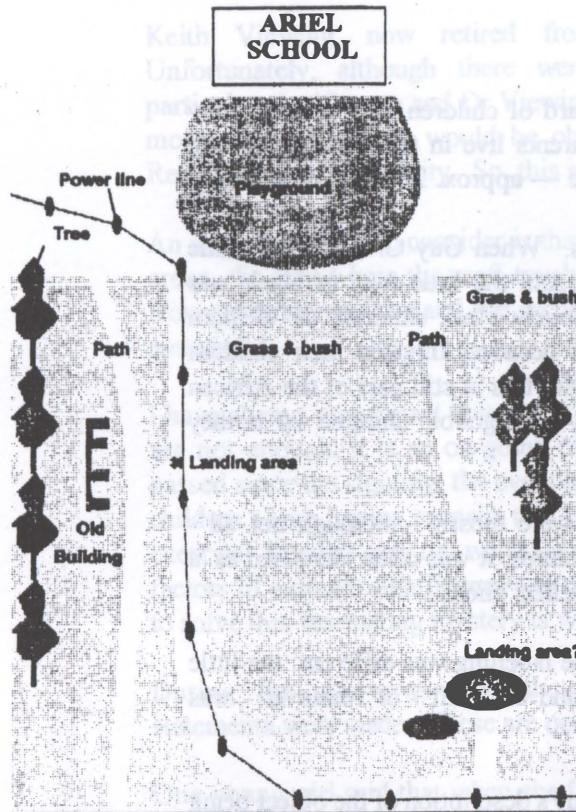
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Figure 2: Map of Sightings

Ariel School is a privately-owned Primary School with classes from the smallest 5-6 year olds, to Grade 7 class with children of 11 and 12 years.

Emma C.: 'I saw the objects disappear. They went up about a metre and then they disappeared. The little men were wearing clothes which were very, very shiny black. Like a diving suit and tight-fitting. I saw a glimpse of his face; his eyes were big. I thought they were aliens from another planet.'

Lisa P.: 'I saw this silver thing lying on its side. A man dressed in black came out. He had big eyes. I thought it was an alien and then I thought it was the gardener.'

Earlier that day, Mrs Stevens, whose farm is close to the school, said that she had got up to go to the bathroom, in the early hours, when she saw a huge orange glow from her window, over her chicken house. It was like a big round ball. She had never seen anything like it before and rushed to call her husband; but when he came, it had gone!



Figure 3: Drawing from Ariel School — Note the two figures above the object, also lights and several 'square' portholes. It appears to be hovering.



Figure 4: Drawing from Ariel School — No hair shown but eyes distinctive. Two tines or legs; only one window, but doorway seen.



Figure 5: Drawing from Ariel School — No facial features, but two figures seen.

The school is expensive and the standard of children is of a reasonably high intellectual level. Most of the parents live in the area but several come from Harare and do the long drive — approx. 20 Km — every day.

Obviously there are cultural differences. When Guy G. asked two little boys why they were crying, they both said the little man in black was 'coming to eat' them. They were obviously black children, as Western parents no longer (certainly for several decades) threaten their children with demons who come and eat you. But this is still part of the African culture where 'the *Tokolosh* could very well gobble children up if they were naughty.'

On the other hand, the white children were mostly - although not all - aware of UFOs. So where they drew pictures, it was often identified as 'a UFO' and the little men in black were labelled 'aliens'.

In drawings from other ethnic groups the labelling was different: the little men were called 'unidentified persons' and the craft - or whatever - was called 'the machine', or 'the object'.

**Farai M.**, aged about 11, agreed with Guy's description of the object being striped with green, black and silver.

One of the boys told me that he thought at first that the little man in black might have been Mrs Stevens' gardener, but then he saw the figure had long, straight black hair<sup>1</sup>, 'not really like African hair', so he realised he had made a mistake!

Shortly after the event (certainly within 7 days), Gunter Hofer drove out to Ariel School and, using a map of the area - see drawing - took samples of the soil from several different areas. These were subsequently analysed by the Chemistry & Soil Research Institute, Department of Research and Specialist Services, free of charge, and the readings simplified for us by Dr

See UFO AFRINEWS N° 11 for similarities of the 'long black hair' description.

Keith Viewing, now retired from the University of Zimbabwe. Unfortunately, although there were some anomalies, none were of particular significance and Dr Viewing suggested that a better and perhaps more relevant reading would be obtained from the Institute of Mining Research at the University. So, this is our next step.

An important issue to consider is that the children pointed out two landing areas, the first where the craft touched down - at the third electricity pole from their viewpoint - and the second landing point, where the little men emerged.

I have always maintained that one or two visits to any important UFO case are not enough; it is an on-going exercise and although 10 months have passed since the sighting, the event is still firmly etched in the minds of the children. I am hoping to make this - because of accessibility - an on-going exercise. I realise only too well that even months or years after the event, factors of extreme significance can come to light. And surely any evidence to solve this fascinating mystery is worth its weight in gold?

During the interviews with the children, several significant, direct statements were made. These are quoted here.

One young girl said that when she first looked, she saw three figures: one in red, one in white and one in black. The one in black was sitting on the 'spaceship'. This was the first time the word 'spaceship' had been used. She admitted that she had presumed that what she saw was a UFO.

**Guy G.**: said that the objects were disc-shaped and were glinting among the trees before landing. He pointed out the landing place as at the third pole from the school grounds and the objects had come in along the electricity wires towards this area.

Of the little man, Guy said: 'He was quite lightish in colour, not black. His clothes were black. But there was no noise. And they disappeared into the valley down there' (Below the landing site).

Werribee "Banner" (Vic.)  
223rd August, 1995.

### Mystery object buzzes the skies of Wyndham Vale

## Sightings of 'UFOs' reported

By Cheryl Kohek

A WERRIBEE resident has reported several sightings of unidentified flying objects to the Victorian UFO Research Society during the past week.

Wyndham Vale resident Mark Hillard, 29, encountered what he believes could have been a spaceship in Laverton North last Sunday week.

"I was driving along Sayers Road and turned onto Palmers Road at about 6.45 pm when I saw this bright light low in the sky coming across the paddocks from the city," Mr Hillard said.

"I stopped on the side of the road and got out of the car. Whatever it was, it stopped about five metres away from me and was about 10 metres off the ground.

"It was about the size of a sedan car, and was shaped like an E Type Jaguar. It had square red lights flashing from the top and bright fluorescent lights spinning out from the bottom.

President of the Victorian UFO society, Ms Judy Magee said the society would investigate the sightings.

Mr Hillard saw the strange object again last Thursday night about 10 pm, but this time local photographer Chuck Reynolds was with him to capture it on film.

The pair drove to the end of Hobbs Road, Wyndham

Werribee police, who told him to contact the UFO society.

A spokesperson for the Melbourne Planetarium at the Museum of Victoria said unusually bright lights in the sky over the past few weeks were probably caused by a meteor shower from the constellation Perseids.

"The average meteor looks like an object flashing through the sky. The brighter ones move more slowly, and can have a bit of colour," the spokesperson said.

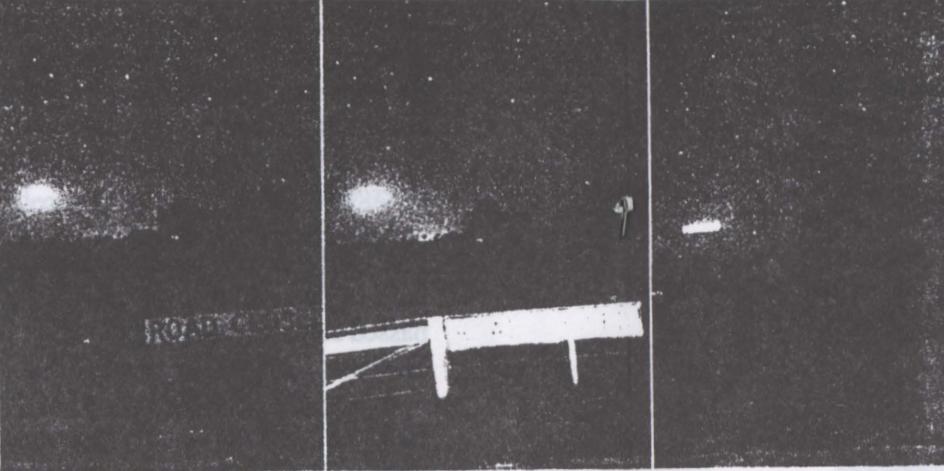
A Bureau of Meteorology spokesperson said the lights were the wrong size to have been on weather balloons released from Laverton about 9 pm each night.

Wing Commander Graeme Johnston of the Royal Australian Air Force Williams Base in Laverton said no aircraft were flying in the area during the reported sightings.

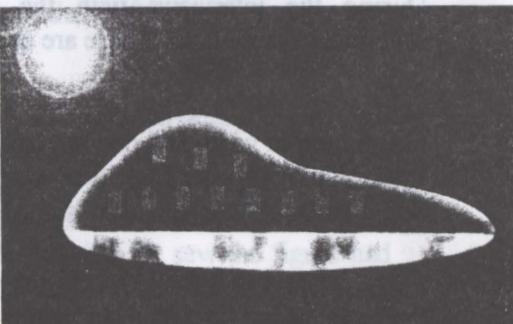
Vale where a bright, oblong-shaped light flew towards them.

"There is probably a logical explanation for it, and I don't believe it was moon men coming down to earth," Mr Reynolds said.

"But if we can put men on the moon and send space shuttles into space, then it is feasible to think that perhaps a more advanced being could send its craft to us."



*AN object a Werribee man believes could have been a spaceship, photographed in Wyndham Vale last Thursday night.*



*AN artist's impression of Werribee resident Mark Hillard's sighting.*

Vale where a bright, oblong-shaped light flew towards them.

"I was scared and wanted to run away, but Chuck wanted it to come closer so he could get a good photo of it," Mr Hillard said.

"It circled around us and then when another car pulled up behind us with its high beams on, it flew away."

"The Age" (Melbourne)  
15th June, 1995.

### Balloon causes blackout

Large parts of western Melbourne were blacked out for more than an hour last night due to a metallic "balloon-like" object hitting powerlines near St Albans. Powercor said the failure, which affected Melton, Taylors Lakes and St Albans, was reported at 6.55pm and power was restored to most of the area soon after 8pm. It said the blackout was caused by "exceptional circumstances" when a large, unidentified balloon hit lines.

## Aliens eye Wyndham

By Cheryl Kohek

LOCAL UFO buff Tania Smith believes recent sightings of strange lights in the skies of Wyndham are unidentified flying objects.

A member of the Victorian UFO Research Society, Ms Smith, 24, spent several nights last week at the end of Hobbs Road, Wyndham Vale investigating a report by nearby resident Mark Hillard.

"I've ruled out everything that it could possibly be. It's definitely not a spotlight on the ground, a conventional aircraft, meteor shower or birds," Ms Smith said.

"At the same time I can't tell you if it's an alien spacecraft."

Ms Smith said strange lights she witnessed last Tuesday night had moved soundlessly in a clockwise direction.

"Two lights moved off from the main light and headed off before joining it again. The shape was really unusual and it all happened in the space of about 10 minutes."

Although she has never seen a craft like the one described by Mr Hillard in the Werribee Banner last week, Ms Smith's interest in UFOs began when she was young.

"I've read a lot of material from the United States and followed articles in the newspapers," Ms Smith said.



*WERRIBEE resident and member of the Victorian UFO Research Society, TANIA Smith*

Werribee "Banner" (Vic.)  
24th August, 1995

**Oriana:** 'I saw this black stick, a very thin, long thing on top of the silver thing.'

**Colin Mackie, Headmaster:** 'I feel sure the children saw something. I don't believe or disbelieve, but they definitely saw SOMETHING. I agree that it could be something natural with which we are not familiar, but it was certainly seen by the children.'

Nathaniel said he saw 'a ship' land on the ground. It had an elongated hull with a platform around the side, and a small man in black was running around. He was about one-metre-plus tall.

**Luke N.:** 'I saw the little man. He had long black hair and was all in black. He looked like a shadow of something.'

**Trevor:** 'I was walking towards the school as the bell had rung, and I saw flashes of light from the corner of my eye.'

**Daniel M.:** 'I saw this silver thing among the trees, with one thing sitting on the side and another on top. Then they were running back and forth. It looked like a real person but it was quite plump.<sup>2</sup> At first I thought it was someone from the compound (labourers' quarters) playing around, but his hair was not like the usual African hair - very curly and close to the head - it was almost like a hippy's hair, long and black.'

**Emily B.:** 'I saw the little men with longish black hair and big black eyes. They turned round and stared at me and went back into a kind of ship. There was only one ship and some little ones scattered around it. I could see their big eyes and long hair. I definitely saw them!'

**Charity S.:** 'I saw this silver thing and a person in black alongside it. It looked like a saucer.' When asked by Tim Leach of the BBC if she had heard of UFOs, Charity replied: 'I've not heard of UFOs before.'

<sup>2</sup> Only mention of the little figure being 'plump'.

How does one assess a sighting like this? Were the children highly imaginative or were they dreaming? Is the whole UFO experience a mental aberration with which we are not familiar? Were the children - as has been suggested by one friend - in a state of hysteria, as has happened recently in some girls' schools in Zimbabwe? But in checking out the latter, the hysterical girls were at the age of puberty (14/15/16 year olds) and were only girls. Here, as many - if not more - boys were involved and the ages of the witnesses ranged from 7 to 12 years.

None of this proves anything, one way or another, but one cannot help feeling that a statement is being made. What it is, well, as John Mack says, that's the question!

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# UFOs On The Internet

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Welcome to the first edition of  
"UFOs on the Internet".

The objective of this column is to keep our members informed of the wealth of information on the UFO subject that is available via the Internet.

Each Bulletin will have a summary of latest UFO related news and discussion topics as well as tips for finding this information for yourself.

I will try to cover World Wide Web pages (just Web for short) as well as Usenet News groups such as *alt.alien.visitors* as sources of UFO articles.

## VUFORS On The 'Net

A reminder for those that don't already know, VUFORS now has an Internet connection and can be contacted via email at [vufors@ozemail.com.au](mailto:vufors@ozemail.com.au)

Our Internet connection will be used to keep in touch with our members, researchers and other UFO organizations throughout the world. (Our very own Web page is in the pipeline also. Watch this column for further details)

## New Web Sites

For the first issue of this article I have visited the Web pages of some of the very well known UFO organisations throughout the world. VUFORS maintains relationships with most, if not all of these related groups.

The British UFO Research Association, BUFORA, has announced that it will be launching a World Wide Web site of its own. "BUFORA On-Line" will not only present details of the latest cases received by the Association, but will also eventually house all

6000 BUFORA case files with free access and download."

The address for the site will be:

[http://www.citadel.co.uk/citadel/eclipse/  
futura/bufora/bufora.htm](http://www.citadel.co.uk/citadel/eclipse/futura/bufora/bufora.htm)

I have had a brief look at the site already and it is professionally presented with sections including:

**UFO Times:** Presents articles from the BUFORA magazine, UFO Times, latest news and other articles.

**Research-Investigation:** Contains all current investigation work and an archive of previous BUFORA cases.

**Members Only:** Detailed case histories and archives.

**Miscellaneous:** Local UK UFO groups; listing of UK companies retailing UFO related material; and links to other sites.

Still in the UK, the *Flying Saucer Review*, FSR, home page presents details of the team at FSR, the contents of this quarters issue and an order form. The editor of FSR, Gordon Creighton, highlights "The Official Cover Up" with details obtained from US government sources via the Freedom of Information Act.

FSR home page is at:

<http://www.cee.hw.ac.uk/~ceewb/fsr/fsrhome.html>

Some basic information regarding MUFON is available at "The Unofficial Mutual UFO Network Information Page" at <http://www.win.net/~pwrstation/mufon.html>

**Victorian U.F.O. Research Society**  
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The Editor,  
Australian U.F.O. Bulletin.

## LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Re: Santilli autopsy film.

Dear Judy,

On 28 August 1995 I watched the telecast of the Santilli film which purports to be an autopsy on a female alien found in a crashed spacecraft at Roswell, USA in 1947. I had already read the Randle-Schmitt book "Roswell" and was most interested in the views of Kent Jeffrey published in your June 1995 edition.

I cannot believe, as Mr Santilli does, that his film is authentic. I do believe the many first-hand accounts given for publication in the book "Roswell" but none can say if what they saw originated in outer space. I also believe that threats were made against eye-witnesses for their silence by high-ranking military officers of the world's greatest republic. Such emotion-driven conduct is matched by the historic bungling surrounding the Lincoln and Kennedy assassinations. The calm, British approach in moments of national crisis is to be treasured. It has evolved through a thousand years of frankly recorded history made available to all and thereby providing precedents to guide such office-holders.

One must go on to ask oneself, "How, when, where and why the Santilli film?" My views are:

**WHEN :** I think it was shot in 1947.

**WHERE:** In a large teaching hospital somewhere in the U.S.A. at a genuine autopsy.

**WHY :** The then current national speculation about the Roswell incident engendered in the students a sense of playacting when they were confronted with a polydactyl, irregularly proportioned corpse for genuine autopsy.

If one assumes that police, investigating a case of arson, sent this body to the local hospital for autopsy to establish if death occurred before the arson (or like scenario), it is then not difficult to see how the film could have been made by playacting medical students. All the necessary resources, including the contamination suits would have been to hand and the required autopsy would have been completed to satisfaction irrespective of the playacting and filming.

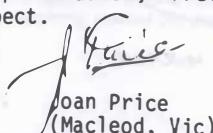
This would explain the much commented on, (a) theatrical attitude of one of the surgeons, (b) the high-spirited movement of the camera, (c) the paucity of participants and on-lookers, (d) the very limited, small room for such an important autopsy that could have called for unexpected action and (e) the absence of detail as to what was removed.

In all probability the film was made as a topical, in-house entertainment for viewing only by students at a forthcoming hospital party, the identity of the four suited-pranksters remaining unknown to the viewers.

**HOW :** Not being an official hospital record, the continued existence of the film would be of interest only to the four pranksters and has rested with one of them for decades. If that one is now the only one alive he may have seen an opportunity to capitalise on the prank without risk of exposure. This would explain the surprising way in which this film was presented to the world without authentication from the cameraman who persistently refuses to be identified.

I believe Mr Santilli has been fooled by a superannuated, irreverent, opportunist medico for whom one can have very little respect.

2 September 1995.

  
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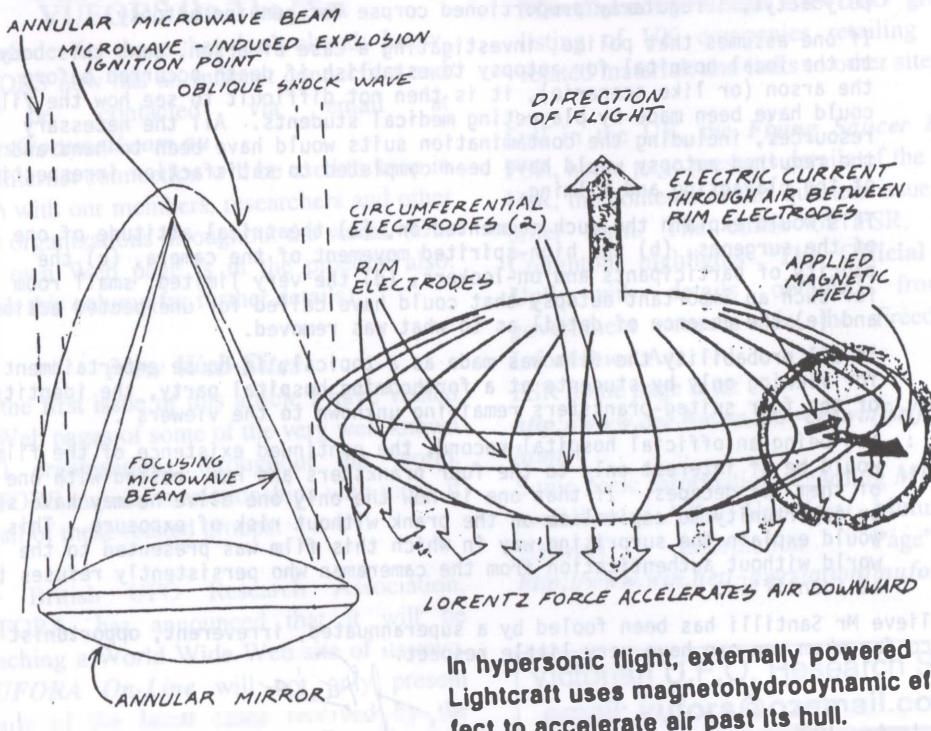
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## BEAM RIDER

Envision a disc-shaped craft, encased in a plasma sheath, flying at several times the speed of sound in the atmosphere. It glows as it flies through the air, but no sonic boom is heard. People living in nearly every country on Earth have reported seeing vehicles like these. They call the strange craft UFOs, because no agency on Earth has been able to duplicate their flight, at least not yet.

All that may be changing. Professor Leik N. Myrabo of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is working on the design of a vehicle that fits the description given above.

Myrabo's work began with the concept of flying on highways of light, the light coming from heavy-duty ground based lasers. For several years the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative Organization funded the project. When SDIO dropped funding for the 100 megawatt laser, Myrabo shifted his focus to the use high-powered microwaves.



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## UFO VIDEOTAPED

FROM: CRESTONE EAGLE, Sept. 1995

Christopher O'Brien, writing for the **EAGLE**, describes a potentially valuable videotape of a UFO over Salida, Colorado.

The incident began at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, August 27, 1995 when Tim Edwards six-year old daughter spotted the object hovering in the sky.

Edwards shot four to six minutes of videotape of the huge, silent object. At one point the camera zooms in and you can actually see red and green lights sequencing around the underside. Edwards also claims that with his binoculars "he could almost make out individual light panels on the object."

## MINIATURE MATERIALS FOR FUTURE IMPLANTS?

A number of abductees claim that their abductors have implanted devices in various parts of their bodies for purposes yet to be explained. Some of these artifacts, when examined, appear to be miniature "somethings," but definitely not human-made medical devices. Sometimes, the artifacts have wire-like appendages visible only under a microscope. In each case, the results are interesting, but puzzling because they seem to be too small to be manufactured. With the advent of nanotechnology, however, products are being developed that may soon mimic the technology seen in the alleged alien implants.

**SCIENCE NEWS**, July 8, 1995, gives us a view of a new technology that shrinks carbide whiskers to nanometer size. These microscopic rods could be used to make fantastically strong, but thin and pliable materials like those found at the site of the Roswell crash in 1947. Other applications may include production of miniature implants for various purposes. Interesting sections of the article follow:

"Researchers have created silicon rods less than 30 nanometers in diameter, about one-thousandth the size of those used in high-performance materials today.

"Fibers suspended in a ceramic or a metal reinforce the material, creating a strong, lightweight composite. Using a larger number of thinner fibers, which are less likely to contain weakening defects in their crystal structures, provides greater strength and surface area to bond with the ceramic or metal.

"In addition to silicon carbide, the researchers produced titanium, niobium, iron, and boron carbide rods... Each compound showed useful electrical or mechanical properties.

"Eventually, carbide nanorods - rods on the

nanometer scale - may serve as sensors, magnetic recording heads, or a component of superconducting materials that could raise their current-carrying capacity. They could also be used as atom-sized wires in computer chips or as probes in microscopy.

"The properties and shapes of the nanorods open up many possible applications. The niobium carbide nanorods are superconducting and the iron carbide ones ferromagnetic.... Passing a current through a corkscrew shaped nanorod would produce a very interesting magnetic field profile.

Additional information about growing tiny carbon wires from graphite tubes may be found in the September 16, 1996 issue of **SCIENCE NEWS**.

## FRIEDMAN LECTURE DISOWNED BY LONDON'S ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

In a blatant attempt to convince the public to ignore physicist Stanton Friedman, the Royal Geographical Society proved it was no longer scientifically based, but it could still exert strong censorship over subjects not to its liking. The group's snob appeal is apparent in the London **DAILY TELEGRAPH** article on June 3, 1995, as follows:

"Notices will be pinned up at the Royal Geographical Society's London headquarters this afternoon disclaiming any responsibility for a lecture being given there entitled 'Flying Saucers are Real.'

"Stanton Friedman, a Canadian, will claim that alien beings continually visit Earth in spaceships and kidnap people, and that governments are conspiring to suppress the information.

"John Hemming, the society's director, said: "We do not endorse this non-scientific rubbish. It could do serious damage to our reputation as a learned society."

"Mr. Hemming, who first heard about the lecture yesterday afternoon, said his first impulse was to cancel it. "But it is too late to do this. All we can do is to disclaim responsibility."

"The society's lecture hall is available to anyone who wants to rent it. But staff had a responsibility to ensure that anyone wanting to give a lecture was 'intellectually respectable.' He said: "Our staff clearly failed to do so in this case, presumably because of carelessness. I will be having stern words with them on Monday."

Interestingly, 300 tickets had already been sold when Hemming noticed the event.

# UFO POTPOURRI

YOUR CONVERSATION IS NOT  
PRIVATE!

From: The Vancouver Sun, 2/1/94

UFO researchers are called paranoid when they say their phones have been tapped, their investigations thwarted in unusual ways, and their evidence tampered with. Attempts to find the source of the phone taps are usually unsuccessful. Perhaps that is because a new form of technology is being used as evidenced by the following information reported in the *Vancouver Sun*. Also, consider that if the technology is being reported in a Canadian newspaper now, then the actual technology must be lightyears beyond what is being reported. The *Sun* report follows:

"An elite wing of Canada's spy agency is secretly developing devices that can monitor and identify voices carried through the air by phone and radio signals, CTV reports, citing government documents.

"The Communications Security Establishment is a super-secret branch of the defense department that specializes in gathering signals intelligence -- SIGINT to insiders.

"Since 1989, the CSE has awarded three contracts worth \$1.1 million to a Montreal firm to make machines that can quickly isolate key words and phrases from the millions of signals CSE monitors each day, CTV reported.

"In May 1993, the CSE awarded Centre de Recherche Informatique de Montréal a contract to develop a "Speaker Identification System," which can pick voices from the electronic haze and identify them.

"It's frightening," says Bill Robinson, a researcher with peace group Project Ploughshares. "It has Orwellian potential to sweep through everybody's conversations. As computers get faster and faster, theoretically, one would be able to keep records of all conversations.

"CSE is supposed to provide Ottawa with foreign intelligence but parliamentarians have often voiced concerns about the agency's potential to violate the privacy of Canadians.

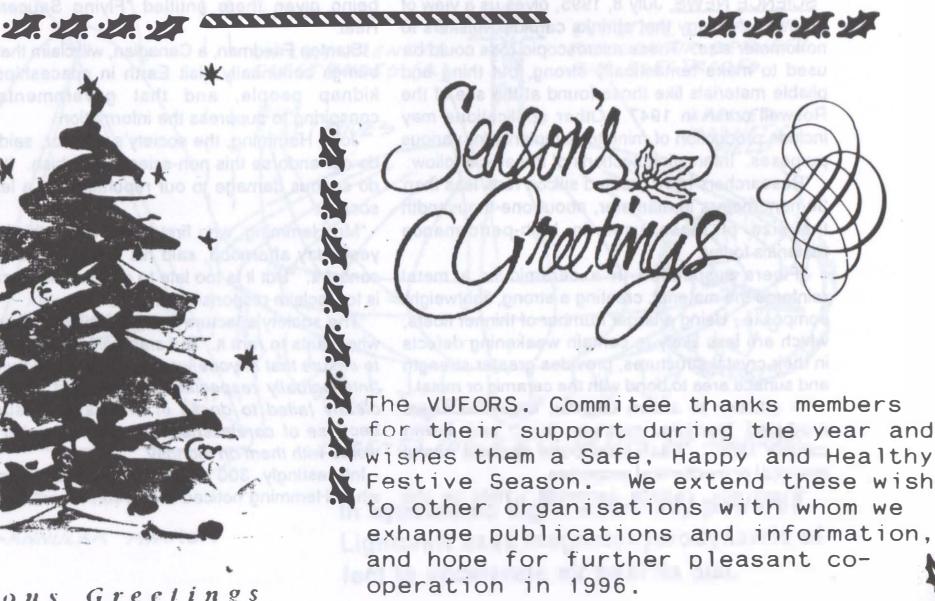
"Defense Minister David Collenette said he was unaware of the CSE's latest electronic snooping projects.

## THEY DIDN'T BELIEVE THE INDIANS EITHER

From: The Houston Post, 1/18/92

"Some western Indians in the earlier frontier days rode easy, and returned to tell about multitudes of white people, tall buildings and big ships. But their tribes people ridiculed them as liars. That shot their reputations. And in their conversational memoirs they said they wished they'd kept their mouths shut."

People reporting their UFO encounters know they are correct about what they are reporting, but often wish they had kept their mouths shut when they encounter the ridicule curtain lowered by the non-sighters.



The VUFORS Committee thanks members for their support during the year and wishes them a Safe, Happy and Healthy Festive Season. We extend these wishes to other organisations with whom we exchange publications and information, and hope for further pleasant co-operation in 1996.

# AFU Newsletter

issue 39 --- September 1995

## Small triangular object with a jet-like sound by Steve Sandström

One of the nicest summer pleasures for many of us Swedes is to sit idly by one of our thousands of lakes, holding a fishing-rod. Few moments are as peaceful as these moments. Often, it is not catching one or two fishes that holds our attention, but the very mystery of the surrounding nature. Sometimes, however, unknown forces can interact with the most idyllic hour. This is what happened to Martell Åström last summer, in June 1994.

It was a very fine summer's day when Martell decided to go out in the boat that he has by a small lake not far from Floda, where he lives. Floda is a small village about 60 kilometers SW of the north-Swedish town Skellefteå.

There was not a cloud in the sky. Martell took his boat to his favorite fishing area and sat there idly for a long while. The only sound was the waves lapping against the sides of his boat. Suddenly he heard another sound, a sound foreign to the area.

At low altitude, maybe about 50 metres, and almost in zenith, there suddenly came an unknown flying object. It looked like an arrow-head and was black in colour. Martell could clearly see that the object wasn't very big, he estimated it to be about two meters long.



First Martell thought it was an ordinary jet fighter. The sound reminded him of such a plane. He is completely convinced, however, that it was no such plane. His view of it, against the clear summer sky, was too good for such a mistake.

The unidentified object disappeared towards the other shore of the lake. It was then at such a low altitude that it seemed to pass between the trees. This was probably a misunderstanding since the object was by then only a small black spot on the horizon. There are no other witnesses to the incident but I see no reason to doubt the sincerity

of the observer.

The most difficult task is to try to judge whether there is a risk that Martell Åström did in fact see an ordinary jet, maybe a Viggen air force fighter, but was somehow mistaken in the strong sun-light.

Probably not so. Even though there is still a chance for such a mistake at a certain angle, Martell could follow this object for quite a distance and he saw it quite distinctly. We can never be completely sure, especially since Martell does not remember the date of the incident, therefore it is impossible to verify if something military was in the neighbourhood.

It is up to each one of us to judge: did Martell see an airplane or not? I do not personally think so because of his dead certain description of the object's appearance.

Readers of the AFU Newsletter may recognize details from another case, published in issue nr 37 ("Miniature stealth-like plane over Lake Vättern"). This incident occurred at Brandstorp, close to another Swedish lake. Five witnesses reported a small, delta-shaped object flying at high speed out over the water. The Defence Staff proposed that the witnesses had seen a radio-controlled model aircraft. Anyone acquainted with model aircraft builders, however, know they are not very keen on flying their treasures over rough terrain or waters.

Small objects have been spotted many times in our area in the last years. We cannot turn away from them. I have a feeling that many answers to the UFO mystery depend on the way we treat and analyze this very special category of cases.

Note: Steve Sandström is the chairman of a new UFO-Sweden group, UFO-Skellefteå, whose investigations cover most of the vast northern territories. Steve is editor of their excellently desktopped magazine "UFO-Nor" (in Swedish only). Steve may be contacted by writing to: UFO-Skellefteå, Upplinnävägen 4, S-931 45 Skellefteå, Sweden. The illustration is by the group's staff artist, "Tecknar-Olle".

## The light that stopped a car by Clas Svahn & Jörgen Granlie

It was shortly before 23.00 on February 15, 1994. Kerstin Hellman had finished her work at the Fagerudd conference center to the south of Enköping (80 km NW of Stockholm). It was a clear and calm winter night and 12 degrees below zero on the centigrade scale. Kerstin started her Volvo 245 to drive 20 kilometres to her home at Grillby. As always she took the small road over Boglösa and Villberga instead of the E18 highway. The

moon had just passed below the horizon but the snowcover still made the road bright and easy to observe.

- I was going at about 60-70 kilometres because the road was rather slippery. As I was a few kilometres from home there was a sudden brightness and I looked up. Over a group of trees on my right side I saw a very oblong light that had "spikes" on the upper part. Just as I spotted this light the car started to act irregularly. I looked at the dashboard and noted that the car lights grew weaker and the speedometer went down. When I looked up on the road again - I had to bend forwards - the light took off and it just disappeared. The light was yellow, almost like from a candle light. Very yellow. The car continued some 100-200 metres while the lights grew dimmer and dimmer and finally it stopped. It was completely dead.

Kerstin Hallman managed to roll the car to the side of the road and waited for help. A few minutes later a milk-lorry came by. The driver stopped to help her, but he did not succeed in starting her car. Instead, he called Kersins husband on the phone and asked him to come and help her.

- As my husband sat down at the wheel and turned the ignition key it started with no trouble at all. He managed at the very first attempt.

Her husband tells us he was very surprised when the compartment light lit up as he opened the door and yet more surprised when the car started so easily.

- But next day it was completely dead. I took the battery out and had it checked and loaded at a service station. It was faultless.

A few days after the incident UFO-Sweden paid for a new check-up of Kerstin Hallman's car, especially with a view of finding out if there was something wrong with the electric system. No faults were found. The car, a 1983 model, has a conventional ignition and carburettor system without sensitive electronic equipment. Ice formation in the carburettor could result in engine failure in this type of car but after a few minutes it would usually start up again. Such a failure would not have any influence on the lighting, however.

Another possibility would be that the ignition voltage from the generator was somehow disrupted. Such a failure would not, however, have any large influence on the car's operation in the short distance it was the question of in this case.

UFO-Sweden has also tried to find an explanation for the light Kerstin Hallman saw. A number of possible airports and helicopter owners were checked but none had any activity.

- I sometimes ponder over what it was that I saw but I just don't know, says Kerstin Hallman. It resembled an oblong football with spires turned upwards, fantastically bright. More I wouldn't know.

- Are you convinced that there was a connection between the light and the car failure?

- I can't imagine anything else. It has never happened neither before nor since that the car has stopped in this way. There must have been a

connection.

Steve Sandström, chairman of UFO-Skellefteå, and a member of one of UFO-Sweden's assessment groups, cautions us to be careful in our judgement. He remembers a similar incident, without any light phenomenon, that he experienced while driving a Volvo Amazon car.

"Suddenly the car started to go heavy, the engine seemed tortured and the car's lighting (even the lights inside) started to glow a pale yellow. It was as if someone had connected a two-ton trailer to the back of the car. Then suddenly the phenomenon released its grip on the car and everything was normal. When the interested owner of the Volvo Amazon finally found the fault it turned out to be a loose contact in the generator that caused a short-circuit."

Now this explanation is far from applicable to this case. The battery in Kerstin Hallman's Volvo was OK and the car had started with no problem just ten minutes before the incident. A loose generator would have no effect on the car since there was power from the battery. It hasn't been possible to find any reasonable explanation for the incident.

Source: *UFO-Aktuellt*, published by UFO-Sweden, pp. 20-21. Published from: Box 175, S-733 23 Sala, Sweden.

## Want to become an ambassador for Sirius?

The UFO business is full of kooks and conmen. One of them is Anders B. Johansson, a "New Age" Swede who is selling ambassador titles for the Sirius people expected, by Johansson, to land on Earth before the summer of 1996. If you have 5.000 SEK to spare you are guaranteed (?) a post as an ambassador for the invaders -- and you will probably help pay for Johansson's new Macintosh computer and other office equipment... Johansson is selling New Age courses, crystal healing treatments and voyages to Egypt at prices that can only be described as steep.

UFO-Sweden investigated Mr. Johansson's claims and businesses which include almost everything esoteric, from astrology to tarot reading. UFO-Sweden chairman Clas Svahn bluntly consider Johansson's activities as "confidence tricks". The negative publicity from UFO-Sweden resulted in an article in Stockholm's new "Metro" newspaper (distributed free in the subway). Reportedly, this forced Johansson to move his Tri Orion-Sirius Center to less prominent localities.

Johansson lives in Stockholm but is registered as an emigrant for the United States on May 1, 1990. This means he pays no income taxes in Sweden. All income is transferred to him through a tax-exempt foundation.

In 1992, Anders B.Johansson invited American "ufologist" Wendelle Stevens to talk before Swedish audiences. UFO-Sweden has interviewed a woman

who was hypnotically regressed by Stevens. She remembers the hypnosis attempt with fear:

- Wendelle Stevens tried to force me to remember what had happened. It was a most stressful situation and I was frightened. He didn't appear to be a professional, says the woman who as a consolation got money for the taxi home. The woman has a written protocol of the session.

UFO-Sweden continues the investigations of the activities of other new age ufologists. One of them is Rauni-Leena Luukanen-Kilde, a Finnish medical doctor travelling the world-wide new-age/ufology lecture circus, and writing "international bestsellers", promoting her crude philosophy based on the most popular myths in ufology.

## UFO-Sweden's 25 year anniversary

On September 2, 1970, the 25th anniversary of UFO-Sweden was celebrated at the Lersåter training center in mid-Sweden. Three UFO-Sweden chairmen were present: Clas Svahn (present chairman), Christer Nordin and Bevan Berthelsen (his predecessors). Traditionally (- since 1977 -) UFO-Sweden holds an autumn training weekend for field investigators and members of UFO-Sweden's report assessment groups. Friday to Sunday ufologists from all over Sweden gather to listen to lectures on subjects such as misidentifications, witness psychology and history of religion.

One of the prominent subjects of discussion this year was the Roswell autopsy film which had been aired on Swedish TV4 on August 27. The autopsy film was generally regarded with scepticism. AFU's Håkan Blomqvist reviewed the first 25 years of UFO-Sweden's history, noting that from the first years of ET belief and esoteric interests the organization had now matured into a well-established group that attempts to treat UFOs in a scientific manner.

## Wingless object near Norwegian airplane

At 16.25 hours on July 11, 1995, a Dash-8 passenger plane from the Widerøe company was on route from Fornebu (Oslo) to Brønnøysund when something very strange happened over Steinkjer about 70 kilometres N of Trondheim. The co-pilot caught sight of a flying object that moved to the right of the plane. From his left side of the cockpit the captain only saw a part of what happened:

- First we thought it was another plane but as I bent down to get a better view, I noticed it had neither wings nor tail-fins, says captain Erik P. Risan. It was fine weather and good visibility.

His (anonymous) co-pilot, on the right side of the cockpit, got a better view of the object but does not want to elaborate on the incident:

- I have already told the facts to the radar station in Trondheim. If I wanted this story in the media I would have said so, he stated.

The Widerøe plane was flying at 15.000 feet. The unknown object slowed down and disappeared. In about a minute it was all over. The crew informed the Værnes tower that something was in the air. Sometimes a weather balloon goes astray, but the captain does not want to speculate if this might be the explanation in this case. The military radar at Gråkallen near Trondheim had coverage of the area but caught no return from the unknown object. There were no military planes in the area. The object was considered unidentified by the military forces.

11 year old Roy Arne Hallem witnessed the incident from the porch of his home at Inndalen. The boy told his parents on Tuesday evening before the incident was published the next day.

- The object was polished and almost as large as the airplane. I saw it for maybe a minute before it disappeared straight up at great speed, he said. Three hours later a similar silvery, polished object was spotted by 75 year old Bjarne Lein.

Sources: *Verdens Gang* (Oslo newspaper), July 13 and 14, 1995; Stig Aggestad (UFO-Sweden).

## More Scandinavian cases...

If you are interested in Scandinavian UFO cases you should subscribe to *Trans-UFO* a newsletter published by Eileen Fletcher, Derwent Cottage, Derwent Dam, Bamford, Sheffield S30 2AQ, UK.

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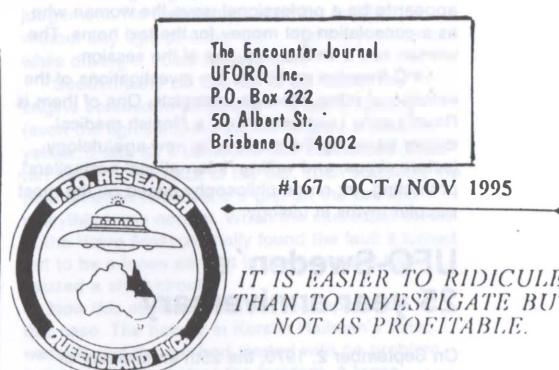
# Sighting Reports

## ORANGE LIGHTS OVER BRISBANE

by Chris Holloway

Seeing Orange lights in the sky is certainly not a new phenomenon. For many years people have watched strange orange lights flash across the sky, zig-zag above their wide open mouths and vanish without a trace right before their astonished eyes. No, orange lights are definitely not new. But they are still, very interesting and puzzling.

Even Brisbane has had it's share of these bewildering sights. On July 15, 1995 just while everybody in Brisbane were anxiously awaiting the State election results, (Well, maybe just waiting) Three orange objects appeared above Springwood, an outer Southern Brisbane suburb. These objects silently drifted West to East as we all went by our normal doings. A family of local residents happened to be looking in the right place at the right time to notice and photograph them as they move past and out of sight (These photos were shown at a past public meeting). Then, something strange happened. Less than fifteen minutes later a Channel Seven election coverage Film crew looking towards the city from Greenslopes, captured five minutes of video footage that showed three orange objects floating slowly South-West to North-East. These objects were in a totally different part of the sky and travelling in a totally different direction to the Springwood sighting.



Then on August 2nd, 1995 four orange objects were seen above Woodridge. Unlike the previous sightings, this involved multiple witnesses seeing the same objects from four different locations around Woodridge and Trinder Park. Video footage was taken by two families. One description of a particular object, was of a square with a semi circle on top, another was of a thimble glowing orange and also of one circular object seen as it passed by then twenty minutes later another four circular objects passed by, initially in a straight line but then changing formation into a rough triangular shape.

Since then we have received up to 100 witness accounts of orange objects. These include a large orange/red object that seemed to hang in the sky then disappear slowly behind some mountains, pulsating orange balls, and orange oval shaped objects. There has been many other reports, and these are but a few examples. As more details of these other accounts come to light, we will publish them in the Journal.

## Victorian Sighting Reports

Examples of many Sightings received over the last several months.

22.5.95 Hightett. 9.10 pm Bright red round objects, apparent size of moon, moving from south to south east. Observed by 3 witnesses.

22 5.95 Beaumaris Vic. 9.30 pm. Four orange colored lights moving north to south west. Witness first saw four lights in formation then went in house to get other witness, when they came outside, one was gone, leaving three which were blinking in unison until they got smaller, eventually blinking out at the same moment.

22 5 95 Mordialloc.Vic. between 9.00-9.30 pm. When first observed four orange lights in line, well spaced with the last gyrating slightly, about 5 minutes later the formation changed to vertical and became smaller as it moved south.

15 6 95 Western Suburbs - Melbourne. Balloon causes blackout. (See press clip in centre pages of Bulletin.)

23 7 95 Ivanhoe. Vic. 1.30 am/ Two witnesses observed four dark orange colored lights about one quarter size of the moon, to the north east. They suddenly took off in three different directions at very fast speed.

28 7 95 Bulleen. Vic. 8.15 am. A motorist, when stopped at traffic lights, spotted three yellow balls of light in a triangle from left to right, ~from Templestowe~. They changed formation very smoothly and quickly into a straight line tilting down on the right and then changing back to triangle formation again.

### REPORT

The following is a report on my findings after investigating the area of Werribee and Wyndhamvale, on Tuesday 26th of September 1995, after multiple sightings were reported to me over a period of approximately 2 months. (9 known witnesses)

Numerous people told of witnessing yellow or golden coloured lights traveling through the sky on approximately 12 known occasions, through August and September. The lights were witnessed at the end of Hobbs Road Wyndhamvale, at the end of the West Grove estate Werribee and in Tarneit Road Werribee. The lights appeared small in the sky in the North and traveled either from west to east or east to west. Some appearing to be heading South, then to turn and head in one of the aforementioned directions. These lights would on occasion intensify in size and brightness, to an estimated size of a one cent piece held at arms distance. These objects were high in the sky as they traveled and would disappear behind the tree line of a farm property. Some would seem to disappear out of sight for no known reason.

Usually there were one or two in the sky, but occasionally there were up to six objects in the sky on any one occasion. I have been out to the sighting locations five times and have verified these sightings. No sound could be heard and there was no change in the objects appearance. Conventional aircraft were in the sky at the same time as these objects on two occasions and a distinct difference could be seen as the aircraft seem to travel lower, showing a definite aircraft outline and engines could be heard.

On the 26th of September 1995, I traveled to the back road of the farming property ( I tried to located this road on two separate occasions, but couldn't locate it, no maps of this area is available ). This road is connected to Sayers Road Werribee, but has no name attached to it.( is referred to as Sayers Rd) It is directly behind the tree line of the farmers property. From this Road the terrain is relatively flat with other farms and scattered trees. There were no clouds in the sky and a slight fog was coming in. I also traveled to the Boundary Road which is the next road in the north of Sayers Road. From these two locations I made the following observations.

From Sayers Road a conventional aircraft traveled directly overhead and headed to the west. As it proceeded in this direction it's light seemed to merge the further away it got, until it appeared as a gold light in the sky. Other gold lights appeared in the west and looked the same as the objects sighted as UFO's by witnesses. These lights headed east and when they draw closer to the horizon at a lower altitude, a white flashing light appeared. Also when in this area, some objects turned and the lighted intensified dramatically as if coming directly for you.

It is of my opinion that these recent sightings are of conventional aircraft. From Hobbs Road it would be impossible to see the landing lights turn on because this would occur below the tree line. The reason the objects appear to head for you is also due to the landing lights as the aircraft are required to circle the landing strip, leaving them in the sky with there landing lights on. These aircraft's are a lot further off then most people suspect, which is why no sound can be heard. Also from Boundary Road, if viewed through binoculars, you can see the red and blue wing lights on the aircraft. The reason some would disappear is due to the distance from Hobbs Road and the fact that not all land.

As for Mark Hillards photographs, I do not believe that this is the same case. The comparisons between the lights witnessed and Mark's photos are as follows.

The lights witnessed are as small as a star and when intensified no larger then the end of a pen. Compared to the size of the object in Mark's photos, they are not the same objects as the trees in the area are 8 to 10 feet high, mature Gum trees and the light covers at least a 30 foot ratios.( Considering the average spacing between planted trees.)

In one of Marks Photo's the object is glowing to a degree that the tree line and the sky above it are eliminated. The lights witnessed do not generate this kind of light around them.

The light from the Farmers home can be seen in Mark's photos, as well as if you are at the end of Hobbs Road. The farmers home is approximately a kilometre from the road closed sign. The area to the left of the farmers home is also eliminated in a photo which can suggest that it was pretty close to that area. If it were a conventional aircraft ( and it would have to be a jet with that amount of light ) the noise would definitely have been heard. ( You would be luck if it didn't shatter the windows! )

It is of my opinion that Mark Hillard's photographs hold no relation to the lights witnessed in the last two months and should still be considered a UFO.

By Tania Smith.  
29/9/95.



## —SOCIETY NEWS—

### BADGES.

Some years ago we held a competition for a design for a badge. It is the same as our Logo, with a very good reason for its style and color. The circular shape represents the general shape of the U.F.O.: the gold loops depict the erratic flight and the arrow shape, the speed of the objects. The white represents our purity of intention in honest investigation and dissemination of information to the public. and the blue represents the sky, from which these objects seem to come and to which they return. We hope members will like them. The price of these badges is \$5 + postage or they can be collected at one of our meetings.

Will anyone, wishing to take part in the Roswell Declaration, please have their completed forms in to the Society by 31st January, 1996. Please advise if forms are required.

Meeting dates for 1996 have been set and as is our usual practice, we will publish them in our March '96 Bulletin just prior to our first quarterly meeting in Melbourne.

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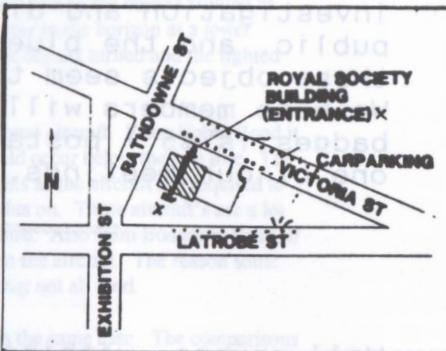
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# SOCIETY HISTORY

# 1957

At this point perhaps it may be opportune to present a brief history of the Victorian U.F.O. Research Society.

The earliest U.F.O. group to form in Australia was the "Australian Flying Saucer Bureau" under the direction of Edgar Jarrold and Andrew Tomas, in the early 1950s. At the same time, Fred Stone inaugurated the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" in Adelaide. After approximately two years the Bureau closed down and was regarded as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" under Andrew Tomas. This shortly broke from Adelaide and became the "Australian U.F.O. Investigation Centre" with Dr. Clifford at its head until 1958, when the Presidency passed to Dr. Lindtner.

The "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society (Victorian Branch)" was formed on the 17th February, 1957 as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" and later that year was re-organised as the "Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society" with Mr. Peter E. Norris L.L.B. as President. In 1968 the name was again altered – this time to the "Victorian U.F.O. Research Society".

During this time, the Society has published various papers and is probably best known for its publication Australian Flying Saucer Review, curtailed in 1972 due to high costs and subsequently superseded by the Australian U.F.O. Bulletin and at one stage sponsored and produced a quarter-hour program on a Melbourne radio station under the heading of "The Truth Behind Flying Saucers".

In 1978, following the resignation of Mr. Peter Norris the current executive, Mrs. Judith Magee, Messrs. Paul Norman and Clive Yates, was placed in control, ensuring the continuing prosperity of V.U.F.O.R.S. The Society has held a dispassionate attitude on U.F.O.s, claiming it is a scientific problem deserving closer attention. It has also met regularly in general meetings and discussion nights and maintained the largest U.F.O. library in the southern hemisphere. Unfortunately, the loss of books, probably due to the high cost of postage has forced V.U.F.O.R.S. to discontinue this service to members.

Membership of this Society – which maintains the largest membership of any U.F.O. organisation in the Southern Hemisphere – is open to all who are genuinely interested in the subject.

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